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JP11-234688 corresponds to EP 0939544.

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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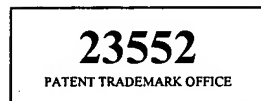
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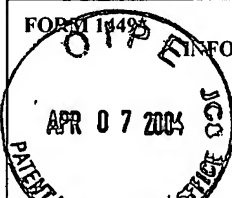
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
						YES	NO
	11-234688	August 1999	Japan			See IDS	
	2002-77931	March 2002	Japan			Abstract	
	10-51692	February 1998	Japan			Abstract	
	6-284344	October 1994	Japan			Abstract	
	2002-57943	February 2002	Japan			Abstract	

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)		

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